



## Austin Fletcher

**CAMPTON BAPTIST CHURCH**

### About the Family

I grew up in a Christian home. My grandfather was a pastor for 35 years while my grandmother played piano and sang. My father was an elder at his church for several decades, and he and my mother brought me up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Serving God and loving His people in the church was the example set before me as a child.

My wife (Ella) and I had our first date at the Marine Corps Birthday Ball while we were in college. After a short while, I told her she was the only woman I would ever love. Together we have been married for 15 years, lived in six states (HI, SC, VA, NC, GA, KY), moved into and out of 13 houses, attended eight churches, had four kids (Maverick, Journey, Finley, and Aundey), and endured three deployments (Iraq, Afghanistan, 22D MEU). God has brought us through it all by His grace.

### About My Ministry

As a Southern Baptist military chaplain, I give thanks to God for the chance to minister to the needs of those with whom I serve.

I love and delight in God's Word. Through God's free gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord, I have been saved from the wages of sin and death. He has given me a lovely wife, in whom I have full confidence, and lack nothing of value. She brings me good, not harm, all the days of my life.

He has blessed us with His body the church, brothers and sisters with whom we have joined in imitating Christ, and have kept our eyes on one another to walk according to the example of Christ. God has given my wife and me the blessing of four children. They are our heritage in the Lord, and we give thanks for the opportunity to share with them the joys of following Christ through our example.

Find out how you can

**Pray.**

**Participate.**

**Provide.**

#### **PRAY.**

Pray for boldness to share the gospel and open hearts among the people to whom I minister.  
Pray for people to come to saving faith in Jesus.  
Pray for more to become missionaries and chaplains.

#### **PARTICIPATE**

Commit to long-term prayer support. Explore the opportunities to extend the reach of your church by becoming a chaplain. Be involved in supporting chaplains and their families. Send notes of encouragement. Talk with a chaplain about his or her ministry context. Send resources that support a chaplain's ministry context. Pray for chaplains and their families.

#### **PROVIDE**

Become personally invested in the ministry of chaplains. Learn about their ministry context, so you can provide relevant help and resources.